Slaughterhouses function under the administrative control of Local Bodies/ Panchayats. The number of cattle slaughtered in recognized slaughterhouses in fixed and slaughtered animal is recorded by the Licensing Authority. The State Governments have their own Animal Preservation of Slaughter Control Acts in operation to prevent slaughter of breedable, milch and conceived animals. The States/Union Territories, except for Arunachal Pradesh, Kerala, Meghalaya, Nagaland, Tripura and Lakshadweep, have their own Legislation on preventing/restricting the slaughter of cow and its progeny.

Pantry car in trains

†3471. SHRIMATI KUM KUM RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of long distance express trains in which pantry cars are not attached; and

(b) the number of trains in which pantry cars will be attached during current financial year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) There are about 468 long distance Mail/Express trains which presently do not have pantry car.

(b) Pantry car services on long distance trains are being introduced in a phased manner subject to availability of new pantry car.

Internet facilities in trains

3472. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Railways is seriously thinking of providing internet facilities in trains;

(b) if so, the details of the project;

(c) whether it is also a fact that some tests were conducted in some of the trains in the Northern Railway; and

(d) if so, the result of the tests?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Railtel Corporation of India Ltd., a Public Sector Undertaking (PSU) of Ministry of Railways has planned to provide internet facilities on running trains as a Pilot Project.

(c) The initial trials were carried out on pilot section from Delhi to Mathura in close coordination with M/s Shoshacom of Canada.

(d) The trials were carried out successfully. However, further implementation of the system has not progressed so far due to technical problem. RailTel is exploring possibilities of alternative solutions including use of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (BSNL) network or providing the facility.

Internet Ticketing System

3473. SHRIMATI N. P. DURGA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of cities that have been covered under internet ticketing system in the country by IRCTC, State-wise;

(b) whether his Ministry is thinking of extending internet ticketing facility to other cities;

(c) if so, the details of cities that Government are thinking of extending the facility to, in the year 2005-06; and

(d) what are the other steps that his Ministry is taking to decongest serpentine queues at the passenger reservation systems?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) The State wise list of cities that have been covered under internet ticketing system, is given in the enclosed statement: (*See* below) This is also available on the website of Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation (IRCTC) i.e. www.irctc.co.in

(b) and (c) In 2005-06 the facility of delivery of tickets booked on Internet has already been extended to following 32 cities.

Ambala	Hazira	Navsari	Nadiad
Bhatinda	Hoshiarpur	Nizamabad	Virudhunagar